

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Prior to examination of this application and in response to the final Office Action dated July 11, 2007, please amend the application as shown herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being transmitted via electronic filing (EFS-Web) on the date shown below to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

October 30, 2007

/Byard G. Nilsson/